3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

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H. Res. 497, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3517, was laid on the table.

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District of Columbia Appropriations: By a yeaand-nay vote of 330 yeas to 91 nays, Roll No. 395, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3845, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

Pages H9801-09, H9810

Order of Business: It was made in order that notwithstanding clause 1 of rule XXVII the Speaker may entertain motions to suspend the rules on Wednesday, September 4, 1996. Page H9811

Defense Authorization: By a yea-and-nay vote of 285 yeas to 132 nays, Roll No. 397, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3230, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1997.

Pages H9814–24

Rejected the Dellums motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to the managers on the part of the House to insist on section 367 of the House bill relating to impact aid assistance to local educational agencies for the benefit of dependents of members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense (rejected by a yea-and-nay vote of 181 yeas and 236 nays, Roll No. 396).

H. Res. 498 the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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House Page Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Fowler to fill a vacancy on the House of Representatives Page Board.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:35 p.m. and reconvened at 12:49 a.m. on August 2. Page H9836

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H9567 and H9785.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9724–25, H9725, H9737–38, H9769, H9771, H9772, H9795, H9795–96, H9809–10, H9810, H9823, and H9824. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:50 a.m. on Friday, August 2.

Committee Meetings

FAMILY PET PROTECTION ACT, PET SAFETY AND PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3393, Family Pet Protection Act of 1996; and H.R. 3398, Pet Safety and Protection Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from Michael Dunn, Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FANNIE MAE AND FREDDIE MAC

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises concluded oversight hearings regarding Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Testimony was heard from Leland C. Brendsel, Chairman and CEO, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac); and Robert B. Zoellick, Executive Vice-President, Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae).

BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on the Budget: Concluded hearings on "How Did We Get Here From There?" A Discussion of the Evolution of the Budget Process from 1974 to the Present, Part III. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barton of Texas, Orton, Cox of California, Stenholm, Neumann, Smith of Michigan, Largent, Crapo, Castle, Visclosky, Cardin, Everett and Horn.

REAUTHORIZATION—PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on reauthorization of Existing Public Health Service Act Programs. Testimony was heard from Philip R. Lee, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 3863, amended, Student Debt Reduction Act of 1996; and H. Res. 470, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Department of Education should play a more active role in monitoring and enforcing compliance with the provisions of the higher Education Act of 1965 related to campus crime.

The Committee also began markup of H.R. 3876, Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention Act.

FBI BACKGROUND FILES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on Security of FBI Background Files. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FBI, Department of Justice: Howard M. Shapiro, General Counsel; Thomas A. Kelley, Inspector, Deputy General Counsel; and Peggy J. Larson, Supervisory Research Analyst; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following bills be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 120, amended, supporting the independence and sovereignty of Ukraine and the progress of its political and economic reforms; and H.R. 3916, to make available certain Voice of America and Radio Marti multilingual computer readable text and voice recordings.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3307, Regulatory Fair Warning Act.

The Committee also continued markup of H.R. 3565, Violent Youth Crime Act of 1996.

Will continue tomorrow.

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing regarding the possible shifting of refugee resettlement to private organizations. Testimony was heard from Representatives Obey and Condit; Lavinia Limon, Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Department of Health and Human Services; Edwin Silverman, State Coordinator, Refugee Resettlement Program, Department of Public Aid, State of Illinois; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3640, amended, Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians Claims Settlement Act; H.R. 3642, California Indian Land Claims Transfer Act; H.R. 2512, amended, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe Infrastructure Development Trust Fund Act of 1996; H.R. 2710, amended, Hoopa Valley Reservation South Boundary Correction Act; H.R. 3547, amended, to provide for the conveyance of a parcel of real property in the Apache National Forest in the State of Arizona to the Alpin Elementary School District 7 to be used for the construction of school facilities and related playing fields; H.R. 2693, to require the

Secretary of Agriculture to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Hells Canyon Wilderness in the States of Oregon and Idaho to exclude an established Forest Service road inadvertently included in the wilderness; H.R. 1179, amended, Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Building Restoration and Preservation Act; S. 1467, amended, Fort Peck Rural County Water Supply System Act of 1995; H.R. 3903, amended, to require the Secretary of the Interior to sell the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir; H.R. 3910, amended, Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1996; S. 811, amended, Water Desalinization Research and Development Act of 1996; and H.R. 3828, Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 1996.

The Committee failed to approve H.R. 3879, Northern Mariana Islands Delegate Act.

NEW ENGLAND GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the economic effects of the New England Groundfish Management Plan. Testimony was heard from Representative Frank of Massachusetts; the following officials of NOAA, Department of Commerce: Andrew Rosenberg, Northeast Regional Director, National Marine Fisheries Service; and John Bullard, Director, Office of Sustainable Development and Intergovernmental Affairs; Robin Alden, Commissioner of Marine Resources, State of Maine; and public witnesses.

SANTEE SIOUX TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 3595, to make available to the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska its proportionate share of funds awarded in Docket 74–A to the Sioux Indian Tribe. Testimony was heard from Representative Barrett of Nebraska; Deborah Maddox, Director, Office of Tribal Services, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 3103, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Hastert and Stark.

CONFERENCE REPORT—SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on S. 1316, the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that at any time on the calendar day of Friday, August 2, 1996, the Speaker may entertain a motion offered by the majority leader or his designee that the House suspend the rules and pass a bill or joint resolution relating to the subject of combating terrorism.

CONFERENCE REPORT—SMALL BUSINESS JOB PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 3448, Small Business Protection Act of 1996, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Hastert and Stark.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on funding Department of Energy Research and Development in a constrained Budget Environment. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Gregory H. Friedman, Deputy Inspector General, Audits; and Roger A. Lewis, Senior Advisor, Office of Strategic Computing and Simulation; Allen Li, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Daniel Hartley, Vice President, Laboratory Development, Sandia National Laboratory; Ron Cochran, Executive Office, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; Charles Gay, Director, National Renewable Energy Laboratory; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES: RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3535, to redesignate a Federal building in Suitland, MD, as the "W. Edwards Deming Federal Building"; H.R. 3576, amended, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, IN, as the "Robert Kurtz Rodibaugh United States Courthouse"; and H.R. 3710, amended, to designate a

U.S. courthouse located in Tampa, FL, as the "Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse".

The Committee also approved the following: 18 Repair and Alteration Resolutions; 1 Lease Resolution; and 2 11(b) Resolutions.

CHILD SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEMS ON COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on H.R. 1309, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the use of child safety restraint systems approved by the Secretary of Transportation on commercial aircraft. Testimony was heard from Representative Lightfoot; the following officials of the FAA, Department of Transportation: Peggy Gilligan, Deputy Associate Administrator, Regulation and Certification; and Louise Maillett, Acting Assistant Administrator, Policy, Planning, and International Aviation; Barry Sweedler, Director, Office of Safety Recommendations, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NEXCOM LEASE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on the oversight of NEXCOM Lease. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GSA: Hillary Peoples, Assistant Commissioner, Public Buildings Service; and Harmon Eggers, Associate General Counsel; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Eleanor Hill, Inspector General; VAdm. James Fitzgerald, USN, Inspector General and Steve Honigman, General Counsel, both with the Department of the Navy; and Robert Taylor, Deputy General Counsel.

U.S. TRADE POLICY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade continued hearings on the Status and Future Direction of U.S. Trade Policy, with emphasis on U.S. Trade with Sub-Saharan Africa. Testimony was heard from Representatives McDermott and Jefferson; Jeffrey M. Lang, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; George Moose, Assistant Secretary, African Affairs Bureau, Department of State; and public witnesses.

BOSNIA/IRAN ARMS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Bosnia/Iran Arms. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM

Conferees on Wednesday, July 31, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3103, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, to promote the use of medical savings accounts, to improve access to long-term care services and coverage, and to simplify the administration of health insurance.

SMALL BUSINESS JOB PROTECTION ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on H.R. 3448, to provide tax relief for small businesses, to protect jobs, to create opportunities, and to increase the take home pay of workers.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3845, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine how to educate the public about the 1996 report of the Social Security Board of Trustees, 10 a.m., SD–215.

House

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue mark up of H.R. 3565, Violent Youth Crime Act of 1996, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.